

Saturday Closing at 6 P. M. During August

While early closing in Omaha is in the nature of an experiment, it has proven so successful in other cities that it is worthy of continuance here.

THOMPSON, BELDEN & CO.

Annual August Linen Sale Huck Towels Made Crash Tea Towels

- 12 1/2c Huck Towels, 6c
25c Huck Towels, 19c
45c Huck Towels, 25c
75c Huck Towels, 50c
25c Tea Towels, made, 20c
20c Tea Towels, made, 15c
30c Tea Towels, made, 25c
\$2.50 18x54 Hand Embroidered Scarf, each, \$1.25
Roller Towels
45c Made Roller Towels, 29c
65c Made Roller Towels, 49c

Annual August Clearance of High Grade Late Spring and Summer Suits Saturday, 9 A. M.

As is our regular custom, we make a thorough clearance of all apparel towards the close of each season. Saturday we place all of our exclusive, hand tailored suits on sale in three different lots:

\$37.50 \$45.00, \$50.00 and up to \$95.00 Suits, including Silks, Bedford Cords, Imported French Serges, Poplins and many novelty weaves in blue, black, gray, tan and white. \$12.50

\$25.00, \$30.00 and \$35.00 Suits, including Ratine, Eponge, Bedford Cord, Poplin, Serge, in plain tailored and novelty styles \$8.75

Special Sale of Men's Superior Union Suits

The balance of our stock will be closed out at the following reductions:

- \$1.00 Superior Union Suits, at 79c
\$1.50 Superior Union Suits, at \$1.15
\$2.00 Superior Union Suits, at \$1.35
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B. V. D. Union Suits, \$1.00 qualities reduced to, ea., 79c
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Porosknit Union Suits, \$1.00 values reduced to, 75c

Special! Men's Two-Piece Garments Shirts and Drawers
All \$1.00 values, garment, 75c
All 75c values, garment, 50c
All 50c values, garment, 39c

Fine Linen Suits selling from \$13.50 to \$25, at \$5.00

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Dresses at Reduced Prices, Saturday, 9 A. M.



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State Board Makes Radical Changes in Assessments.

BIG INCREASE FOR RAILROADS

Each System is Treated as a Unit and Ten Million Added to Valuation—Rates Are to Be Lower.

DES MOINES, Aug. 1.—(Special.)—Taxable valuation of property in Iowa goes up; tax levies go down. This is the desire of the state officials.

The state executive council finished its work this morning and made partial announcement of results. Most important in the fact that because of increase of property valuations the state tax levy will be cut from 4 mills to 3 or possibly lower. Local tax levies will also be correspondingly reduced.

Next in importance is announcement of a change in the manner of certifying out railroad values. Each system will be treated as a whole and branch and main lines will get the same valuation per mile. This will give a big increase for branch lines and a decrease for the main lines. After looking over the law carefully, the council decided this is the only way to distribute railroad values.

Land Values Increase. The council ordered an increase in land values which amounts for the state to about 23 per cent. Starting with the reports showing sale values of land these were scaled 20 per cent to get at the actual or commercial value. Then, as the legislature, in the money and credits laws, has recognized the property of an 80 per cent valuation this was further scaled to obtain equality with money and credits. A few counties were increased but slightly, others to a great extent; so that land values all over the state will be about on a par with other values.

Town lot valuations were adjusted by raises and decreases, and the net raise is about 40 per cent. The council found a very great difference in the valuation on town property.

The council ordered an increase in personal property, chiefly live stock, the increase amounting to an average of about 10 per cent.

There were slight increases ordered in the assessments on sleeping car companies, equipment, express, telegraph and telephone business. On the Iowa telephone plant there was an increase of 3 1/2 per cent.

Railroad Assessments Boosted. Railroad valuations were sent skyward more than had been done in a dozen years before, an increase of \$10,000,000 in the taxable value being made, means over \$6,000,000 in actual values. The increase on some of the systems was: Northwestern, \$3,228,000; Milwaukee, \$1,485,000; Great Western, \$1,415,000; Rock Island, \$1,200,000; Burlington, \$1,065,000; Illinois Central, \$1,068,000; Omaha, \$140,000; Atchison, \$100,000.

The value of railroad property was arrived at by considering the average gross earnings for five years, then deducting 65 per cent for expenses and capitalizing same at 7 per cent after taking out the taxes.

The manner of distributing the railroad values for taxation purposes will effect a revolution. It means that each and every system will be treated as a whole and not as a series of small roads joined together for convenience.

More Work for Auditors. The changes made will mean a great deal of hard work for the county auditors in making the changes ordered on every class of property. So far as possible the percentage of increase has been made without fractional numbers and the council believe they have made a fair adjustment of values for taxation purposes in accord with the intent of the legislature and that it is by far the nearest approach to the assessment as actual values ever attempted. As the whole property of the state subject to taxation has been increased as to value for that purpose the state tax levy will be correspondingly reduced, and the council will request of local taxing bodies that they also make reduction in local levies to the same extent. This will leave matters substantially as they are as to the amount of taxes secured.

Members of the council have worked hard for three weeks on this assessment and taxation proposition.

IOWA TAX LEVY CUT DOWN

Reduction Follows Increase in State Valuation.

LOWEST FOR MANY YEARS

Fate of Iowa Law Providing for Closing of Houses of Ill-Fame by Injunction Rests with the Court.

(From a Staff Correspondent) DES MOINES, Aug. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—When the state officials had finished making assessment of all property in state today it was found that the state tax levy could be reduced by half a mill and be made 7 3/4 mills on the dollar, the lowest for many years. The net increase in taxable values of all property was about \$28,000,000.

THREE SLEEPING CARS TOPPLE FROM BRIDGE

MUNCIE, Ind., Aug. 1.—Three Pullman cars on Big Four passenger train, No. 20, due here at 11:20 this morning, are reported to have toppled from a bridge six miles west of here just after midnight. A number of passengers are reported to have been seriously injured. The train was bound for New York from St. Louis.

COWBOY SUITS FATAL TO TWELVE CHILDREN

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Twelve children at play have been burned to death in Brooklyn this summer while wearing fringed Indian and cowboy suits. The death today of the twelfth victim, a 6-year-old girl, caused Dr. Charles Probst, coroner's physician, to publish this fact and warn parents against letting children wear play costumes with inflammable trimmings.

Automobile Exports Are Forty Millions, Imports Two Million

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Automobiles and automobile parts to the value of \$40,000,000 were shipped from the United States in the last fiscal year, an increase of \$2,000,000 in 1903, a decade ago, according to figures by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce.

Four Die When Train Hits Car

GREENVILLE, Ill., July 31.—George O. Morris, a wealthy manufacturer, his wife and their two daughters, were killed when a Vandalia train struck their automobile at a crossing here today.

New Forest Assistant Named.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(Special Telegram.)—Richard L. Guthrie of Lincoln, Neb., has been appointed forest assistant at Denver; S. V. Fullaway, jr., of Omaha, at Great Falls, Mont.; Ralph E. Bodley of Lincoln, at Sheridan, Mont.; E. L. Wahlerberg of Lincoln at Silver City, N. M.; Theo Kueger of Halsey, Neb., at Halsey.

SECRETARY DANIELS IS VISITING DENVER

DENVER, Aug. 1.—Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels arrived here shortly before noon today, to be the guest of the city at the celebration of Colorado's thirty-seventh statehood anniversary. The secretary has a prominent part in the day's program of patriotic and social events. Tomorrow he is scheduled to tour Estes park by automobile.

Thrashing Machine Burned.

LOGAN, Ia., Aug. 1.—(Special.)—Fire destroyed the H. Dungan thrashing machine, five wagons and 300 bushels of wheat on the F. A. Schwertz farm northwest of Missouri Valley on the Missouri bottoms Wednesday night. The machine, wagons and fifty bushels of wheat were covered by insurance. Loss is estimated at \$1,100.

Oh, What a Fall Was There, My Countrymen

Contemporaneous Newspaper Account.

"Whereas, It has come to the knowledge of this board, through investigation made by it, that the water rates charged citizens of Omaha by the Omaha Water company are excessive as compared with the rates charged in other cities of similar size, and,

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"Therefore, Be it Resolved, That this board recommend to the mayor and council of the city of Omaha that the rates for water of the Omaha Water company be immediately fixed by ordinance so that the same shall be fair and reasonable."

This resolution was adopted by the Omaha water board at an adjourned meeting on Monday afternoon, August 8, 1904, following a report submitted by R. B. Howell covering an investigation of rates in Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Cleveland, Detroit and other American cities.

The Omaha rate to private consumers, 35 cents per 1,000 gallons, Mr. Howell said, is from six to fifteen times the rates charged in the cities named. It was also pointed out that the Omaha rate was fixed twenty-three years ago, when the city had but 30,000 people.

A great many esteemed citizens will recollect during the fight for the purchase of the water plant, there were published long lists of cities in which, under municipal ownership, water was being furnished at from 5 to 10 cents per thousand gallons. Many of us looked at those lists and gritted our teeth over the injustice of being forced to pay 35 cents in Omaha. Many of us confidently looked forward to a very early reduction of water rates in Omaha to somewhere between 10 and 15 cents, at the most, if only we could get municipal ownership. All of us know better now. We have learned that conditions in Omaha determine what the price of water in Omaha must be, and are rapidly concluding that conditions in Omaha have justified only a reduction to 25 cents, and may, in another year or two, justify a further reduction to 20 cents. The dream of 10-cent water has gone glimmering."

Note by The Bee—Don't let anyone believe we will have to wait two years more for the promised reduction to 25 cents per 1,000 gallons. The Bee's campaign on behalf of the people has already brought a reduction from 35 cents to 28 cents, and will continue till the 25-cent rate is made.

GOMEZ APPOINTED DICTATOR

President of Venezuela Given Supreme Power by Council.

CASTRO LANDS AT CITY OF CORO

Report from Caracas Says Rebels Were Defeated in Battles Near the Eastern and Western Frontiers.

CARACAS, Aug. 1.—In consequence of outbreak of the revolution in Venezuela and the invasion of the country by forces under the leadership of former President Cipriano Castro, the federal council today constitutionally authorized President Juan Vicente Gomez to assume dictatorial powers until the movement is crushed. President Gomez on Wednesday night sent the following telegram to the governors of all the Venezuelan states:

"General Cipriano Castro, impelled by ambition and the crave for power, has provoked a revolution in this republic by ordering his partisans to arm themselves against the constitutional government. 'Already rebel forces in several localities have distributed the public order. It is necessary to be alert and to act rapidly and energetically in assisting the government to crush the rebels. 'The peace of the country, which conscientious Venezuelans are obliged to cherish, cannot be left at the mercy of adventurers who possess no idea of decorum. 'I trust you will fulfill your duty. The governors in reply promised unqualified support of the government. Some of them requested the dispatch of additional arms and ammunition. Revolutionists Defeated. Official dispatches state that an invading force from Colombia under the command of General Rosario Gonzales has been driven back steadily on the frontier of the state of Tachira, where Colonel Romero, in command of the state troops, has forced the rebels to abandon their positions. On the other side of Venezuela revolutionists commanded by a nephew of Castro attacked the city of Macuro on Tuesday and were defeated. It is claimed by government troops led by General Zayas. No troops have yet been sent from Caracas to meet the rebels, as the government believes the state troops strong enough to deal with them. The president announced that all news of hostilities would be published, whether 'favorable or unfavorable to the government. He says he feels he can safely do this because of his splendid army and also because public opinion is with the government. Telegraphic communication between the capital and the rest of the republic is needed. Castro Lands at Coro. WILLEMSTAD, Curacao, Aug. 1.—Corroboration of the report of Cipriano Castro's landing at Coro, Venezuela, was received here today from Puerto Cabello. General Simon Bolivar Castro's brother-in-law, with a number of adherents, left here last night in a sloop for Venezuela. Venezuelan Exile Calls on Bryan. WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—General Jose Manuel Hernandez, Venezuelan Nationalist leader, now a political exile, arrived in Washington today and called on Acting Secretary Roosevelt of the navy. His call was unofficial and after a brief visit with Mr. Roosevelt he went to the State department to pay his respects to Secretary Bryan. The Venezuelan exile, popularly known as 'El Mocho,' is opposed both to former President Castro, instigator of the present revolution, and to President Gomez against whose government the uprising is aimed. He declared his present attitude was one of observation and that he believed both Gomez and Castro were destined to political retirement. Castro, whose whereabouts hitherto have been indefinite, has landed at Coro, in the gulf of Venezuela. This information was cabled to the State department today by American Consul Thomas W. Voster at La Guaira, the port of Caracas.

NEBRASKA BISHOP IS RECEIVED BY THE POPE.

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J. J. Pascal, 68 years, proprietor of the United States restaurant at Fifteenth and Dodge streets, died yesterday at his home, 43 North Eighteenth street. Mr. Pascal was well known in Omaha, having been identified with the restaurant business for about fifteen years. Mrs. Martha A. Harris, FAIRBURY, Neb., July 31.—(Special.)—A paralytic stroke two weeks ago was responsible for the death of Mrs. Martha Harris, a Jefferson county pioneer. Mrs. Harris was born in Sullivan county, Indiana, May 15, 1847, and spent her childhood days in Indiana. She was married to William Harris in 1867. Mr. and Mrs. Harris came west in 1869. Mrs. Harris is survived by several children. The funeral was held at the home today. French Antiquarian Dead. GIBBS, France, July 31.—Louis Charles Paulin Passy, 'father' of the Chamber of Deputies and an eminent archaeologist and antiquary died today, aged 85 years. Passy was a cousin of the late Frederico Passy, the peace advocate. He was a monarchist and had been a member of the Chamber of Deputies since the foundation of the 'third republic.' Carl Fabrenbrück. MCCOOK, Neb., July 30.—(Special.)—Carl Fabrenbrück, ar. of South McCook died Monday night of cancer of the stomach after a prolonged illness. Interest was in Riverview cemetery this afternoon. A widow and eight children survive him. Allen Kiler. Allen Kiler, aged 68 years, a pioneer real estate dealer of this city, died Wednesday afternoon at St. Joseph's hospital of paralysis. Mr. Kiler resided at 2300 North Twenty-fourth street. Funeral services will be held at Forest Lawn cemetery at 10 o'clock Sunday morning with interment in Forest Lawn cemetery. Mrs. Mary McGimpsey. SHELBY, Ia., August 1.—(Special.)—Mrs. Mary McGimpsey was buried here yesterday, aged 75 years. After immigrating to this country from Ireland in the 50's to Pottawattamie county, Iowa, her husband died and left her with seven children. She took her flock to Polk county, Nebraska, and has resided near Shelby since. She owned over 500 acres of good Polk county farm land. C. C. Unland. HUMBOLDT, Neb., Aug. 1.—(Special.)—C. C. Unland, aged 92 years, died at his home here Thursday morning. About a week ago he was prostrated by the heat and had not been able to rally since. Mr. Unland, who was a native of Haverhill, Germany, came to Richardson county from Illinois in 1837 and later to Humboldt. He leaves a widow and three children. Isaac Newton McLead. TECUMSEH, Neb., Aug. 1.—(Special.)—Isaac Newton McLead, a resident of Tecumseh for the last twenty-four years, died at his home in this city Tuesday from a complication of diseases. Although he had been in failing health for some time his final sickness was of but a few days' duration. He was born in Athens county, Ohio, December 23, 1820, and here he resided until he was about 15 years of age. He then traveled in Florida, Panama and California for a number of years. He enlisted with Company I, Seventh regiment, Ohio volunteer cavalry, August 1, 1862, and was constantly with his command during service, receiving promotions. Mr. McLead was married to Miss Clara Young at Peter Davis church, Athens county, Ohio, November 25, 1857. They came to Nebraska in September,